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BETHEL.

Bethel, nestled in among the mountains away down in
Maine,
Ah, I fain would tell the beauty and the grandeur you
contain.

Of your noble and lofty mountains, now white capped
with snow,
Though Autumn's saddest tints rest on the valleys just
below.

Sad Autumn's beauty, waiting her burial beneath the
snow,
But "God doeth all things well," and Life through Death
must come we know.

Dear old Bethel, by your beauty Summer rovers you
entice,
And there among the mountains they catch a glimpse of
Paradise.

If Bethel, the town of my adoption, seem fairest and
best,
The town of my birth I honor and reverence none the
less.

May we glean from Nature's work that which is beautiful
and true,
For in the smallest bud that blossoms, God's handiwork
we view.

Bethel, home of beauty, land of plenty, thee we can but
praise,
And for the many gifts and blessings to God our thanks
upraise.

BETHEL, Nov. 6th, 1877.

GOULD'S ACADEMY.

No public efforts beyond those of the common schools had been made in the town for the cause of education till the Spring of 1835, when the citizens chose a Board of Trustees of the Bethel High School, who finished and furnished a commodious hall, and employed Nathaniel T. True, then a student in Bowdoin College, as Principal. Eighty-six students, nearly all adults, attended the first term. A Summer term succeeded, and a Fall term—when there were ninety-one students, comprising a body of young people remarkable for their studious habits and high moral character. The Trustees were sufficiently encouraged to petition the Legislature, the following Winter, for a Charter to establish an English and Classical Academy.

An act was passed to incorporate Bethel Academy, which was approved by Gov. R. P. Dunlap, Jan. 27, 1836. The names embodied in the act of incorporation were: John Grover, Moses Mason, Wm. Frye, Chas. Frost, Jedediah Burbank, John Hastings, Stephen Emery, Barbour Bartlett, James Walker, Levi Whitman, Robbins Brown, Valentine Little, George W. Chapman, Timothy Carter, Phineas Frost, Timothy Hastings, and Robert A. Chapman. All save the last named are now dead. The first meeting was held May 2d, 1836, at which time a code of By-Laws was adopted. Dr. Timothy Carter was the first President; Dr. John Grover, Vice President; and Wm. Frye, Esq., Secretary. At this meeting arrangements were made to erect a building, which was accomplished in the Summer of 1836.

The academic year consisted of four terms. The first term commenced September, 1836, under the care of Isaac Randall, a graduate of Bowdoin College, who continued in the position two years. He was succeeded by William Chapman, a native of Bethel, who taught one

term in the Spring of 1838. He was followed by Joseph Hill, who taught in the Autumn of the same year. Charles M. Blake taught in 1838; Edward P. Weston in 1839; Calvin Chapman in 1840; Moses Soule in 1841-2-3. The school was highly successful during the administration of the latter teacher. He encouraged the students to set out a row of elms around the lot, and set the example by planting the pine tree which now stands in the north-east corner of the lot. He was followed by Moses B. Bartlett and Abernethy Grover in 1842; Amander Barker in 1843; D. R. Hastings and Talleyrand Grover in 1844; Joseph Pickard in 1846; Wm. Hurd in 1847. N. T. True took charge of the Academy in the Spring of 1848, and continued in the school till the Autumn of 1861—a period of thirteen and a half years. During these years the maple and evergreen trees were set out, under the auspices of a "Tree Society" which was organized for the purpose. The school was large, and many young men fitted for college and for business pursuits.

About the year 1842 the Rev. Daniel Gould, the first settled minister in the town, made a bequest to the Academy on condition that it should be named after him. Accordingly its name was changed to Gould's Academy in Bethel. About one thousand dollars were realized from his estate. In 1850 the Trustees obtained a half township of land from the Legislature, which they sold for twenty-five hundred dollars.

After the resignation of Dr. True as Principal, Wellington R. Cross was elected Principal. He was followed by E. P. Morse, M. C. Fernald, B. P. Snow, W. P. Young, George T. Sumner, G. M. Bodge, C. H. Hersey, S. A. Thurlow, D. O. S. Lowell, E. H. Hall, D. M. McPherson, J. W. Fiske, and the present preceptor, D. T. Timberlake, who is rapidly improving the condition of the Academy, and is determined to make it a first-class school. Located in one of the most beautiful villages and towns in the State, it cannot fail to be well patronized under his care.

There is a good Cabinet of Minerals, numbering about fourteen hundred specimens well

arranged in cases for study; and a Library of four hundred volumes, belonging to the two Literary Societies. Maps, Charts, Globes, and books of reference are within reach of the pupil. The building needs repairing, and the Trustees are now considering the best means for accomplishing this object.

N. T. T.

BETHEL.

ITS EDUCATIONAL INTERESTS.

Is there any better place to promote the cause of education? Think of the surroundings, as to beauty and sublimity. Think of the salubrity of the air.

Think of the freedom from temptations—and with all the thinking forget not what a range of patronage a Bethel school might command, if it should be what it ought to be. In a circle of forty miles' diameter, and whose centre is Bethel Hill, where can a school be found that is "first-class," or anything like it? Why should not the fathers and mothers of all the region round about, send here their sons and daughters to be educated, if there can be no doubt as to the superiority of the advantages afforded them? Let no such patronage be expected in the present dilapidated condition of our school building.

"The Gould Academy," at the time it was instituted, was all very well; honor is due to the memory of its founders. With the decay of the edifice has come the decay of the pristine prosperity. To get up, now, we must say to ourselves, "Let us rise up and build." Where are the funds to come from? If the funds in the hands of the Academy Trustees can be appropriated to this end, and the building erected can belong to the town for a "High School," the town will come vigorously to its support. Then, with the patronage of the neighboring towns, and with the pledged help of the State, the old glory of the "Gould Academy" "will be no glory by reason of the glory that excelleth." How can it be a perversion of "the funds" from their legitimate intent? The

object of the benevolent donors to "The Academy," was to promote the best interests of education—and those best interests are, *in our day*, promoted by "The High School" rather than "The Academy."

Will the Trustees please consider the lawfulness and desirableness of an application to the Legislature for an act enabling them to make the change?

A SOJOURNER.

ELEVATION IS EXPOSURE.

No doubt we all have stood, some sunny day, on an elevation which commanded a view of the surrounding country, and as we looked about us upon the quiet peacefulness of nature and the beauty of the situation, we were charmed, and thought, of all places none were so desirable for a dwelling-place as this. But soon the scene changed. Instead of the clear sky and beautiful sunshine, clouds appeared; the winds arose and swept over the place we thought so lovely, and storms beat upon it with far greater fury than upon the less elevated country around.

And so it is in life. Looking upon those who hold high positions in society and in the world, we say that their lot is cast in pleasant places; that their life is indeed a happy one. But we see only the sunny side; we know nothing about the trials and vexations which they endure. Their elevated position necessarily causes trials which in more humble circumstances they would be spared. They are exposed to the criticism of the world. Every act is noticed and commented upon, and, if they chance to err, they are made the object of many unkind and unjust remarks. Little errors which in an ordinary man would be hardly known, or at least soon forgotten, can be concealed from no one. Curious eyes are watching for every opportunity to find fault. Those around them, envious of their high position or actuated by malice and ill-will, are ever conspiring for their ruin. As when one is standing upon a very high rock or tower there is danger of falling, so when one holds a high situation in life great care is necessary to retain it. There are more

temptations, and there is greater danger of yielding to them, thus losing the position of honor, in public than in private life.

Glancing over the annals of time we see many illustrations of this principle. Julius Cæsar, the greatest man of antiquity, having in youth espoused the cause of the people, was raised by them to consular power, and by his excellence as a statesman and general, became almost a sovereign in the Roman empire. But there were enemies who were planning his destruction. The aristocracy, jealous of his power, and fearing that they might lose their own influence in the State, plotted for his ruin. Even his most intimate friends conspired against him, and he was brutally murdered in the Senate house. Thus he fell a victim to his own greatness. Had he been a private man no doubt he would have been suffered to end his days in peace.

Perhaps, at present, we have no more striking illustration of this truth than the case of Henry Ward Beecher. Holding as he has the highest rank among the preachers of the gospel in this country, and having attained considerable distinction as a literary man, his name became familiar to all. And when the billows of adversity threatened to overwhelm him, his conduct was severely criticised. His words, acts, and even his personal appearance were exposed to the gaze of the public. The papers of the day were filled with accounts of the famous "Beecher trial." The most able counsel in the country was employed against him, and thousands of dollars were expended in the effort to overthrow him.

As we look at Beecher we shall say, truly elevation is exposure. And the same is true of others who hold high positions in life. We see everywhere that elevation, whether in the social, political, or religious world, brings beside its pleasures and enjoyments, exposure to trials, temptations, and evils which in a humble position would be unknown. Then, although our standard should be high, let us not strive to gain positions for which we are not fitted, nor envy those who are filling higher stations than we ourselves.

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There is an old saying, that every one has some place to fill. We hardly think our place is an editor's chair; yet, having accepted the position, there seems to be no way but to go bravely on. If in this world we all do our part, and manfully attack whatever unpleasant duties fall to our lot, we make the succeeding ones so much the lighter. But if, on the other hand, we foster the habit of shirking, we finally become so accustomed to it that we throw our lightest duties upon another's shoulders, and, at last, when we awake to the consciousness of our

loss, we find this shirking habit so deeply rooted that it cannot be eradicated.

This theory holds true in writing as in everything else. So, brother editors, beware! Write when you are asked, and in a short time your thoughts will flow so fast that you will need an assistant to help write them down. But shirk, and your thoughts will fly at the very mention of an editorial.

This being our first paper, so much will not be expected from it as from the following numbers. Let us hope that our friends and patrons will overlook our mistakes and will glean some information from our humble columns.

The Oxford County Musical Association held its second annual meeting at the Congregational Church in our village, commencing Tuesday, October 23d, and continuing four days; Prof. H. L. Whitney, of Boston, acting as director of the chorus. The Convention held three sessions daily, using for music the Chorus Wreath and Stearns' Mass in D, besides part songs. The Association closed its four days' meeting with a concert, Friday evening. The morning was perfect. The intervalles were covered with a mantle of snow. The white-capped mountains and snow-tipped trees glistening under the rays of the morning sun, seemed not only to lend beauty to the scenery, but energy and spirit to the chorus. The church was filled to listen to the concert. The parts were all well taken, and the audience enthusiastic and pleased. The Convention was a grand success, perfect harmony and enthusiasm prevailing throughout, and the meeting was one of great benefit and pleasure to its members. The Association has over eighty working members, and is a success both musically and financially. Long may the Association live and prosper.

Maine is the only State in the Union which has not increased in population during the last fifteen years. Statistics show that she has actually decreased in that time.

BELFRY CHIMES.

From its tower speaks the swinging bell:

"Early, late, to your accustomed places,
By the tones that from my grim lips fell,
I have quickened your oft-lingering paces.

Now farewell!"

From its tower speaks the swinging bell!

"Nearly two-score years since first I spoke—

Day by day, upon whose march eternal
Have I distant mountain voices woke,
And sung their requiem in strains supernal,
Stroke by stroke!

Nearly two-score years since first I spoke!

"From my tongue may this last lesson fall:

Let thine own no whispered words of Malice
Breathe, but blessed Charity to all,
Should thy dwelling be in hut or palace,
Cot or hall.

From my tongue may this last lesson fall.

"When beating storms arise, thy head bow down,
And wait with patience the bright bow's appearing.

Not always do the heavens wear a frown;
The coming tempest be not always fearing.

Dark and brown

When beating storms arise, thy head bow down.

"Whatever be the message given to thee

To sound abroad, that word world-wide proclaim;
Let not the boundaries of the restless sea
Nor mountain ranges thy free voice restrain.

Speak faithfully,

Whatever be the message given to thee!

"And when by unseen hands the bell is tolled

That summons thee away to Heaven's high teaching,
Pray that thy name be found above, enrolled
On the sealed book within the Angel's keeping,
Penned in gold—

When by unseen hands the bell, the bell is tolled!"

A MOUNTAIN RAMBLE.

On a clear cold day in the first of September our party decided to take the long-proposed trip to the mountains. Starting from the Willey House at 6 A.M., we drove through the Notch to the Crawford. From that point we took the renowned bridle-path which winds in and out among the mountains, till after a distance of about eight miles it reaches the summit of Mt. Washington. Walking through the forest for about two miles we began to perceive that the

trees grew smaller, and soon we came upon the bare summit of Mt. Clinton. Here we obtained a fine view of the surrounding country. Winding round the base of Mt. Pleasant, the path next led us up to the very top of Mt. Franklin. We were now amply repaid for our long walk.

On one side of the mountains lay the beautiful Connecticut valley, extending off as far as the eye could reach. Nestled in among the hills, and seeming almost at our feet, were the Willey, Crawford, and Fabyan Houses, while along the river were seen many farms and villages. On the other side lay the Androscoggin and Saco valleys; and far away, where the sky seemed to meet the earth, stretched the great ocean.

From this point we continued our walk over Mt. Monroe, then up the final ascent of Mt. Washington. The last mile was almost too much for some of us; but we finally accomplished it, and felt very proud to find ourselves, for the first time in life, at the height of 6,428 feet above the sea level. The next three hours were spent in visiting the places of interest in the neighborhood of the Summit House.

At 3 P.M. we commenced the descent of the mountains, which was made without accident; and we reached the Willey House feeling perfectly satisfied with our day's work.

THE PIN AND THE NEEDLE.

A pin and a needle being neighbors in a work-basket, and being idle, began to quarrel as idle folks are apt to do.

"I should like to know," said the pin, "what you are good for, and how you expect to get through this world without a head?"

"What is the use of your head," replied the needle rather sharply, "if you have no eyes?"

"What is the use of an eye," said the pin, "if there is always something in it?"

"I am more active and do more work than you can," said the needle.

"Yes, but you will not live long."

"Why not?"

"Because you have always a stitch in your side," said the pin.

"You are a poor crooked creature," said the needle.

"And you are so proud you cannot bend without breaking your back," said the pin.

"I'll pull your head off if you insult me again."

"I'll put your eye out if you touch me; remember your life hangs by a single thread," said the pin.

While they were thus conversing, a little girl entered, and, undertaking to sew, she broke off the needle at the eye; then she tied the thread round the neck of the pin, and attempting to sew with it, she pulled its head off and threw it into the dirt beside the broken needle.

"Well, here we are," said the needle. "We have nothing to fight about now. It seems misfortune has brought us to our senses."

"A pity we had not come to them sooner," said the pin. "How much we resemble human beings who quarrel about their blessings till they lose them, and never find out they are brothers till they lie down in the dust together, as we do."

INDUSTRY.

Industry is the continued application of all the powers of mind or body, fixing them upon some object and retaining them there until that object is accomplished. It is habitual activity, allowing not a moment to pass unoccupied. It is to labor for some definite purpose, to work for the accomplishment of some particular object. Work is the law of our being, the living principle that carries men and nations onward. All must labor and labor earnestly, else in the great struggle for preëminence they will be left behind.

Industry is the sure guarantee of success. He who labors steadily and earnestly, must and will obtain his object, let the obstacles be what they may. On the other hand, nothing can be accomplished without industry. It is the price to be paid for all successes. He who would gain the mountain's summit, must toil up its ascent step by step. He who would ride against the tide, must put forth all his strength. All

may attain excellence if they will but exercise the power of patient and assiduous toil. It is never granted except as the reward of labor and painstaking.

Successful men owe more to their industry than to their natural abilities or favorable circumstances. Talent may be desirable, but industry is necessary. Genius falls by its side and great powers give way to it. It was by industry rather than by accident, that Newton made his great discovery of gravitation. It was by industry rather than by genius, that Milton wrote those immortal words, that will live and be revered through all ages. It was by industry rather than by any natural talent, that men have ever been enabled to write their names high on the temple of fame. Once they were no wiser than others. Once the very alphabet of that language which they used with such effect, was unknown to them. They toiled long to acquire its rudiments, and longer to learn its greatest power, and longer yet before they gave us those thoughts that are so rich and powerful. All through their lives they knew no such word as fail. Difficulties only urged them to greater exertions, and examples of industry gave them greater courage. Their lives and characters, which we consider to be patterns of greatness and goodness, were built up by persevering industry.

Industry will procure friends. Who will not be a friend to the persevering man? Who will not help him who helps himself? Who does not think well of the man that by steady, honest industry cuts and carves his own way in the world, standing out boldly on the solid basis of toil, and bidding defiance to adverse circumstances. Go to the men of business and of influence, and ask them who shall have their confidence and support, and they will tell you it is the man of industry—the man who considers idleness and not toil a degradation.

It is industry that has raised our country from the few feeble colonies planted in the wilds of the new world, to the highest rank among nations. Industry cleared her forests, ploughed and tilled her soil, built her cities and towns, constructed her railways, and extended her ter-

ritories until her flag waves from the Atlantic to the Pacific. Her nobles are her laboring men, her merchants and legislators are men of industry, her Presidents are rail-splitters and tanners, who by industry have raised themselves from those humble callings, and fitted themselves for the highest positions she can bestow. Industry is her power, her greatness, and her industry alone will preserve her.

Industry is the sure winner in the race for success; the champion in the struggle with difficulties. The rich man's wealth; the poor man's capital. The peer of genius; a necessity in all labors. A friend to all; an enemy to none. The builder up of nations; the preserver of thrones. Who will cast reproach at the name of industry? Who will deride humble, honest toil? "Blest work! if thou art a curse of God, what must his blessing be."

LOCALS.

Who is Daniel Pratt?

What rank did you get?

Read our advertisements.

Those chairs are a nuisance.

Where are those forty Compositions?

Public Examination Friday, Nov. 16th.

How pleasant the sound of hammers on yonder church. Pleasanter still when they reach our own roof.

Bethel has one Academy, four churches, two Hotels, four physicians and six lawyers. What country village can boast of greater advantages?

The Principal tells us that next term we shall be seated according to our rank. Won't there be some hard studying for those easy chairs.

The city of Boston has paid out \$36.15 for every pupil taught in its public schools the past year. Tuition in our own School is only \$15 to \$18 per year.

We are pleased to note the many improvements that are being made in our midst. The

little hovel on the opposite side of the street, which has been an eye-sore for so many years, has been removed, and a neat, pretty cottage built upon its site. May the good work go on.

DECLAMATIONS AND READINGS.

The Prize Declamations and Readings of the Fall Term will be given in the First Congregational Church, Friday evening, Nov. 16th. It is earnestly desired that all friends of the School will be present to encourage us in our efforts for improvement.

The Order of Exercises will be as follows:

MUSIC.

PRAYER.

1. Glorious New England.....Henry Farwell.
2. Sometimes.....May I. Foster.
3. Speech of Sergeant Buzfuz....O'Neil W. R. Hastings.
4. Carrying Home the Sheaves.....Percie Foster.
5. The Future of America.....True N. Stevens.

MUSIC.

6. Ruined CastlesEllen F. Gibson.
7. Our Country.....George O. Smith.
8. The Angel of Buena VistaMay E. Hastings.
9. The Moor's RevengeHerbert F. Twitchell.

MUSIC.

10. Curtain Lecture of Mrs. Caudle.....Angie L. Swan.
11. Death of Hamilton.....Walter C. Winter.
12. Old Huldah.....Susie B. Twitchell.
13. The IndianWesley Wheeler.
14. Our Honored DeadAda L. Twitchell.

MUSIC.

COMMITTEE OF AWARD.—A. E. Herrick, Esq., Rev. C. E. Bisbee, Rev. A. Bosserman.

WORDS OF WISDOM.

They most assume who know the least.

Very unsatisfactory sort of bread—The roll of fame.

Manner is of importance. A kind *no* is often more agreeable than a rough *yes*.

Every day is a little life, and our whole life is but a day repeated.

Wisdom is a pearl sought in still waters and beneath clear skies.

Truth is the root, but human sympathy is the flower of practical life.

Reputation is what men and women think of us; Character, what God and the angels know of us.

To believe that everything has been discovered is to believe that the horizon we see is the edge of the world.

The sweetest words in the English language

begin with H, which is only a breath: Heart, Hope, Home, Happiness, and Heaven.

The beauty of the body is for a day; the beauty of the soul is for eternity.

Put your heart into your work and your hands will follow with a will.

Life is the jailor, Death the angel sent to draw the unwilling bolts and set us free.

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